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OUTLINES.

The Southern Railway's new double track bridge over the Potomac at Washington will be open for traffic Aug. 28. —— Chinese government has given the Russian warships at Shanghai until noon of Aug. 28 to make repairs. —— Two Japanese cruisers bombarded and silenced the Russian forts at the entrance of Port Arthur. —— The christening of the heir to the Russian throne was celebrated yesterday throughout Russia with rejoicing and festivities. —— The firm of H. F. Page & Co., cotton brokers, New Orleans, suspended. —— Two men, both wife murderers, were hanged yesterday at Rolling Fork, Miss. —— An 18-year-old boy was shot to death yesterday in his father's restaurant in New York City because he had revealed secrets of the "Black Hand;" a mob of Italians attempted to lynch the murderer but were prevented by the police. —— Young man arrested in Atlanta, Ga., a former employe in the Western Union office at Dallas, Texas, is said to have stolen $1,100 on bogus telegrams. —— Two men were killed and four others injured by a cave-in on the Southern Railway near Knoxville. A vigorous campaign in West Virginia is urged by Democratic leaders. —— Negro believed to be 125 years old died in Washington, Ga. —— City authorities of Chicago are to make a second effort to settle the stock yards strike. —— Four masked men held up a paymaster near Paterson, N. J., and robbed him of $5,000. —— Thirty-five persons were injured in a trolley wreck near Rochester, New York. —— New York markets: Money on call was easy at ¡@1 per cent.; cotton was dull at 11.20c.; flour was barely steady, with little better inquiry; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red $1.08¡ f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot weak, No. 2 60¡c.; oats—spot easy, mixed 26@33 lbs. 36¡@37¡c.; rosin quiet; strained common to good $3.60; spirits turpentine weak.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Aug. 24.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 73 degrees; 8 P. M., 76 degrees; maximum, 82 degrees; minimum, 69 degrees; mean, 76 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .0; rainfall since first of the month to date, 5.98 inches.

Stage of water in river at Fayetteville, 4.4 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

There have been showers in the eastern and a few scattered rains in the central portions of the belt. Fair weather has prevailed in the western districts. Temperatures are lower in the eastern and have risen in the northwestern portions of the belt.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—For North Carolina: Fair Thursday; Friday fair, variable winds.

Port Almanac---August 25.

Sun Rises	5.26 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.38 P. M.
Day's Length	13 H. 12 M.
High Water at Southport	7.30 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	10.00 A. M.

We hear of a man who recently contemplated suicide but compromised by getting married. It is to be hoped that he has made no mistake.

The bulls seem to be at work again in the cotton market. The advance in prices since Friday has equalled $4 a bale. Somebody must be taking a tip from Sully.

The Republican party in North Carolina can't slop over in talking about free silver. The State platforms of that party contain a free silver plank and Senator Pritchard himself was committed to it. Lest we forget.

Judge Parker's mail is flooded with campaign poetry, music, marches, two-steps, ballads, etc. He certainly deserves to be President after having to undergo such a bombardment.

Before the campaign is over Roosevelt will wish that he had never written a book, or will be convinced that a man who shifts his position on questions is too vulnerable to poke his head out in a contest for office.

A Boer colony is to settle at once on 80,000 acres of land in the State Chihuahua, Mexico, corresponding in climate with the Transvaal. It is said that this scheme is what Marion Butler has been figuring in to his immense gain.

Among the infant industries which the Republican party heavily protects is the steel industry of the United States. Yet Charles M. Schwab says the steel industry of the United States can defy and defeat the steel manufacturers of all the world.

Judge Parker has not been in politics long enough to keep from being annoyed by newspaper articles. He is very much annoyed by reports that he is going on a stumping tour to the West. Half the Western towns are applying to him for a date.

Voters ought to watch out for go-between parties. Organizations like the Populist party are only used to draw away votes from a big party which it desires to be beaten in the interest of another big party. Little parties which have no showing play a trick game in politics.

QUIET AFTERNOON WEDDING.

Miss Blanche Elmore Chadwick the Attractive Young Bride of Mr. Robert H. Cowan—Left for Newbern.

Hundreds of friends in Wilmington and elsewhere throughout the State will be interested in the announcement that Miss Blanche Elmore Chadwick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Chadwick, and Mr. Robert H. Cowan, of this city, were married yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Conforming to the wishes of both the bride and groom, the wedding was very quiet and occurred at the residence of the Rev. R. B. John, the officiating minister, on Grace street. Only relatives and a few very intimate friends were in attendance. The ceremony was very pretty and impressive, and following the service, Mr. and Mrs. Cowan received the happiest congratulations of friends. The bride was attired in a handsome tailor-made travelling suit of blue, while the groom wore the conventional black.

Following the ceremony and informal reception to friends, Mr. and Mrs. Cowan left on the afternoon train for Newbern, where Mr. Cowan will attend to some theatrical business, leaving later for Morehead City to spend their honeymoon.

The bride is a charming young woman of Wilmington, much admired in a wide circle of friends, The groom is a son of the late Capt. John Cowan and was a lieutenant in Company K, of the Volunteer Army, in the Spanish-American war. He is of the firm of Cowan Brothers, theatrical managers and proprietors here and at Newbern, and is held in the very highest esteem. Mr. and Mrs. Cowan's friends will be delighted to know that they will make their home in Wilmington upon their return from Newbern in about ten days.

LOCAL DOTS.

— British brig "L. G. Crosby," Capt. Ellis, arrived yesterday, light, for cargo from the Chadbourn Lumber Co.

— Quotation for tar on the local naval stores market yesterday went back to $1.70 per barrel. Spirits turpentine advanced to steady at 52¡c. during the day.

— Schooner "Edgar C. Ross," Capt. Coulborn, having completed discharging cargo of fertilizers at the Carolina Central warehouses, cleared yesterday for Georgetown, S. C., light.

— Paul Brown and his wife, Mary Brown, both colored, were before Justice Bornemann yesterday for a domestic difficulty. The woman was fined $5 and costs while the man was let off with the costs.

— The friends of Dr. E. Porter, of Rocky Point, will, without his knowledge, present his name at the primaries for election as Senator for Pender and Duplin counties. Dr. Porter is now visiting his son in Brooklyn, N. Y.

— Mr. H. E. Newbury in sending a notice a few days ago of the annual reunion of Co. B, First Battalion of Heavy Artillery, at Burgaw, gave the date as Sept. 22nd, when it should have been Sept. 15th. He asks that the correction be made.

— Three plain drunks constituted the grists of yesterday's grinding by the Mayor in the police court. Two of the defendants came on the Clinton excursion Tuesday and the third was an inoffensive countryman. They were each let off with the costs.

— A horse belonging to Mr. Isadore Bear and attached to a buggy ran away on upper Princess street, early yesterday afternoon, partially demolishing the vehicle. The horse was left hitched in front of a residence but he became frightened at something passing, broke loose and ran up the street.

— By deeds filed for record yesterday C. H. Alexander and wife transferred to Edward Hines, for $35, two and one-fourth acres of land in Harnett township, on west side of the old Newbern road, and Simon W. Sanders transferred to Mrs. Maude Horton Sanders, for $1 and other considerations, lot on Summer Rest, in Harnett township.

Y. M. S. A. Swimming Contest.

Saturday morning at 11 o'clock there will be a swimming contest for the juniors of the Y. M. C. Association: 1st. Overhand stroke, length of pool, diving start. Two prizes. 2nd. Three lengths, same style. Two prizes. These races will come off about every three weeks, different strokes and methods being introduced.

To Sue Standard Oil Co.

Through Attorneys Wishart & Shaw, of Lumberton, Mack Page by his next friend, Calvin Page, of Robeson county, has given notice of a suit, presumably for damages, which he will bring against the Standard Oil Company. As the complaint has not been filed the contentions in the suit are not yet given out.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

T. D. Love Co.—Bolts.
Notice—Cook with gas.
W. B. Cooper—Coarse salt.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Corner store.
Lost—Baby's blue kid slipper.

Take the children to the Casino—25 cents round trip on trolley line for children under twelve years.—No charge for children under 5 years. ¡

TO ENFORCE PAYMENT

City Will Proceed Against Property Owners to Recover Pro Rata of Improvement.

AUTHORITY FOR THE ACTION.

Old Law and Opinion of Supreme Court Thereon in Full Force and Effect. Some of the Provisions in the Case—The Yopp Suit.

At the regular September meeting of the Board of Aldermen Monday night week arrangements will be made to proceed at once, according to law, against all property owners along Second and Market streets, who are delinquent in the matter of payment of their pro rata share of the cost of the recent improvement of certain sections of those thoroughfares with vitrified brick. Mayor Springer this week decided upon that course after a conference with City Attorney Bellamy, who pointed out that the law on the subject is very plain, the section of the city charter concerning the case being strengthened by a decision of the Supreme Court in the oft-quoted Yopp case. The machinery under which the city paved and improved the streets referred to is found in Chapter 248, Private Acts of 1854-'55. Provision is made for the appointment of three freeholders to represent the city, and three are appointive by the property holders to represent them in the assessment of any damages or increased valuation to such property. The three assessors in behalf of the city will be appointed at the September meeting. Heretofore, in recent years, property owners have paid their pro rata share of the cost of improvement along several prominent streets without recourse to the expensive machinery of an assessing board and it is hoped that before the meeting in September all matters of difference will even now be settled and the necessity for suit obviated. The machinery under which the Board will proceed is as follows:

"Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, that whereas the Board of Aldermen of said city for the improvement of the streets of said city, are required from time to time to incur large expense in grading, paving and making gutters and sewers in such streets, and in some cases injury is done to the proprietors of lots on such streets, and in other cases the lots on such streets and in the vicinity thereof are much increased in value, and it is desirable that equal justice as between the said Board of Aldermen and the proprietors of lots on such streets so improved, should be administered without delay, for the speedy adjustment of all such cases, three freeholders of said city shall be nominated and appointed by said Board of Aldermen and a like number by and on behalf of the proprietors of the lots on any street improved as aforesaid, and in the vicinity thereof, who shall together constitute a committee for ascertaining the damages to the proprietors of lots on such streets, and also for ascertaining the increased value of the lots on such streets, and in the vicinity thereof by reason of the improvements of such streets by the Board of Aldermen as aforesaid; and said committee, being first duly sworn by some justice of the peace for the county of New Hanover, faithfully and impartially to assess the damages that may be sustained by the proprietors of lots, by reason of any work or improvement done by the Board of Aldermen aforesaid, on any street adjoining thereto, and also to appraise and assess the increased value given to any lots on such streets, or in the vicinity of such streets, by reason of such work or other improvements done as aforesaid on such streets, shall proceed to view such streets and the lots adjoining thereto and in the vicinity thereof, and assess the damage to the proprietors of the lots on such streets, and to appraise and assess in due ratio the increased value of the several lots on such streets and in the vicinity thereof, as the case may happen to be; and the amount so ascertained by said committee or a majority thereof, whether of damages sustained by the proprietors of lots as aforesaid, or the increased value of the several lots on said streets or in the vicinity thereof, shall be considered as a final and conclusive adjustment of the matters so submitted to said committee, who shall make a report in writing to the Board of Aldermen of said city, of the sums so as aforesaid ascertained by them, and said sums shall be a debt due by the party charged therewith by the said committee in their said report, and the same may be received (recovered) before any tribunal having jurisdiction of a debt of like amount, by the party to whom such sum is to be paid according to such reports; and if the Board of Aldermen of said city, or the proprietors of any lot or lots in the cases above referred to, shall not, after notice in writing from the other party, nominate and appoint three freeholders of said city to act as members of the committee as aforesaid, then and in that case the three freeholders who may have been nominated by the other party, shall act as said committee, and shall have all the powers hereby conferred on a committee composed of members appointed by both of said parties, and the sum ascertained by them or a majority of them, shall be paid by the party charged therewith by their report."

Supreme Court Opinion.

The above provision was tested and found wanting in no particular in the case of City of Wilmington vs. Samuel L. Yopp, heard in the Supreme Court about the year 1875 and reported in the 71st. N. C., Page 76, as follows:

"The Act of 1854-'55, empowering the Commissioners of the town of Wilmington to establish streets in said town and for other purposes, confers upon the present Commissioners of that place full authority to assess the benefit to be derived to the owners of property from the construction of pavements in front of their houses."

"Civil Action, brought in a Justice's Court to recover a certain assessment levied on defendant, and carried before His Honor, Judge Russell, by appeal, and determined by him at Chambers in the county of New Hanover, January 13th, 1874."

"The city of Wilmington, the plaintiff, under the provisions of the act entitled "An act to empower the Commissioners of the town of Wilmington to establish streets in said town, and for other purposes," ratified 16th January, 1855, appointed a committee, after due notice to the defendants, to assess the benefit he, the defendant, had derived from the construction of a pavement in front of a certain house and lot on Seventh street, in said city, belonging to him. The committee made an assessment to the amount of $11.84, which the defendant admitted to be reasonable, but refuses to pay the same, contending that he is not liable to any such assessment by the plaintiff."

"The justice gave judgment in favor of the plaintiff, from which defendant appealed to His Honor, the Judge of the 4th District, at Chambers, upon the question of law. His Honor affirmed the Justice's judgment, and defendant appealed to this Court."

"Settle J. The act of 1854-'55, chap. 248, entitled "An act to empower the Commissioners of the town of Wilmington to establish streets in said town and for other purposes," confers upon the city of Wilmington, (the *city* having succeeded to the rights of the *town*) full authority to do all that is now objected to by the defendant, and we are aware of nothing in the Constitution which forbids such legislation."

"Statutes authorizing municipal corporations to grade and improve streets, and to assess the expenses among the owners and occupants of lands benefitted by the improvement in proportion to the amount of such benefit, have been held to be constitutional and valid in many of the States having constitutions similar to our own, and these decisions have been quoted with commendation by such eminent authors as Cooley and Dillon."

"A property tax for the general purposes of government, either of the State at large or of a county, city, or other district, is regarded as a just and equitable tax. The reason is obvious. It apportions the burden according to the benefit more nearly than any other inflexible rule of general taxation. A rich man derives more benefit from taxation, in the protection and improvement of his property, than a poor man, and ought therefore to pay more. But the amount of each man's benefit in general taxation cannot be ascertained and estimated with any degree of certainty, and for that reason a property tax is adopted instead of an estimate of benefits. In local taxation, however, for special purposes, the local benefits may in many cases be seen, traced and estimated to a reasonable certainty. At least this has been supposed and assumed to be true by the Legislature whose duty it is to prescribe the rules on which taxation is to be apportioned, and when determination of this matter being within the scope of its lawful power is conclusive.'". "The People v. The Mayor of Brooklyn, 4 N. Y., 419."

"Judge Cooley, in histreatise on Constitutional Limitations, 506, quotes the foregoing extract and adds, 'the reasoning of this case has been generally accepted as satisfactory and followed in subsequent cases.' He says further, 'on like reasoning, it has been held equally competent to make the street a taxing district, and to assess the expenses of the improvement upon the lots in proportion to the frontage.'"

"Not only has such legislation been sustained as an emination of the taxing power of a State, but it has been held competent, as a police regulation, to require the owners of urban property to construct and keep in repair and free from obstructing the side walks in front of it, and in case of their failure to do so to authorize the public authorities to do it at the expense of the property, the Courts distinguishing this from taxation, on the ground of the peculiar interest which those upon whom the duty is imposed have in its performance, and their peculiar power and ability to perform it with the promptness which the good of the community requires." Cooley 588.

"Judge Dillon, in his work on Municipal Corporations, sec. 637, says, "Under an authority to make such by-laws as to the Common Council shall seem necessary for the good government of the city, and for the regulation and paving of the streets and highways, a city corporation may pass an ordinance requiring the owner of every lot fronting on a designated section of a public street to fix curb-stones and make a brick way or sidewalk in front of his lot. Such an ordinance is neither unconstitutional, illegal, nor unreasonable. It would doubtless be otherwise if this burden was laid without special cause upon one citizen, all others similarly situated being exempted."

"Under power to improve any street, the City Council is not required to improve the entire length of the street or none, it may improve part and confine the assessment to the lot adjoining the part improved. The judgment of the Superior Court is affirmed. Per Curiam. Judgment affirmed."

REMAINS SENT TO CHARLOTTE.

Wilmington Friends of Late Col. Hamilton C. Jones Do Him Honor—Funeral.

Accompanied by Dr. R. J. Brevard, a life-long friend, and Mr. H. C. Jones, Jr., a son of the deceased, the remains of the late Col. Hamilton C. Jones, whose death occurred in this city Tuesday afternoon, were taken on the 3:20 P. M. Seaboard Air Line train yesterday to Charlotte, N. C., his home, for interment. The casket had rested in St. James Episcopal church since the evening before, and when the hour had arrived for the funeral procession to move to the station a number of friends were present to pay a last sad mark of respect to the distinguished scholar and citizen. The Wilmington Bar Association sent a lovely floral tribute in the design of a harp, while a number of other emblems were laid upon the casket by individual friends of Col. Jones and members of the family. The funeral services will be conducted from St. Peters' Episcopal church in Charlotte to-day.

The pall-bearers from the church to the station yesterday were all from the ranks of the legal profession as follows: Honorary, Messrs. Marsden Bellamy, Eugene S. Martin and Junius Davis; active, Hon. John D. Bellamy, Messrs. S. M. Empie, Iredell Meares, Cameron F. McRae, William J. Bellamy and John D. Bellamy.

A dip in the ocean these hot afternoons is a pleasure beyond compare—car every half hour in the afternoon. ¡

COLUMBIA MYSTERY.

Return of Wife of Man Arrested in Newberry Gives a New Turn to the Affair.

THE WOMAN'S IDENTITY.

Fact of Its Non-Establishment Gives Rise to Variety of Wild Goose Chases by the South Carolina Authorities. Reports Very Confusing.

The recent murder mystery in Columbia, S. C., in which a wayward young woman, supposed to be from Wilmington, was brutally beaten to death by one of two unknown men, is still attracting wide attention in the Carolinas and a dozen theories have been advanced and as quickly exploded with no immediate solution of the mystery yet in sight. The arrest of a man in Newberry, S. C., for the murder of the woman, upon the supposition that the deceased was his wife and not from Wilmington at all, was told of in these columns a few days ago. The news of his subsequent identification by a woman taken by the officers from Columbia was also noted, but it now seems that the whole story has been thrown down by the return of the woman supposed to have been murdered by the Newberry man and that he will be released even before a habeas corpus proceeding brought in his behalf is heard to-day. In an article in yesterday afternoon's Columbia paper is the following, which will be read with interest:

"There are no new developments in the Maud Allen mystery to day. The story yesterday in regard to the woman being a daughter of Richard Allen, of Bath, S. C., has taken a new turn.

"Richard Allen says that his daughter, Lula Allen, is now at his home at Bath, near Augusta, and is alive and well. A long distance telephone conversation was had with Richard Allen, who is at his home in Bath, yesterday afternoon. He stated positively that Lula Allen was the daughter who had married Butler Holt in Newberry and had left him after a very few days. He says she returned to his home at an early hour yesterday morning, after an absence of some three months, which he says she spent in Columbia.

"Allen's statement fits in very well with a letter from Bath received in Newberry yesterday. In this letter it was stated that Lula Allen had not been at her father's home at Bath for some five or six weeks, and that the last heard from her was from Columbia, where it was supposed she was living.

"Engineer Graham, of the Columbia, Newberry and Laurens road, went to the jail last night on the arrival of his train in Newberry to see if he could identify Holt and Martin as the two men who got on his train in Columbia at 5 o'clock on the afternoon the murder was committed in Columbia. He stated after a long look at the two men that he did not recognize either of them as one of the men in question."

The Columbia correspondent of the *News and Courier* sent the following to Charleston Tuesday night:

"A report reached here that the father of Maud, alias Lula Allen, had telephoned to Newberry that his daughter had reached Bath, his home. This story seems weak, because at 2 o'clock this afternoon the father of the Allen girl telephoned Chief Daly for a description of the girl, and wanted to know all about the case, and how he could identify the girl supposed to be his daughter, and if his daughter, Holt's wife, had returned home, he would hardly have telephoned as he did hours after her alleged return home. Chief Daly invited the father to come to Columbia."

CONSTABLE RECOVERED BICYCLE.

Small Colored Boy Stole Wheel from Fire Engine Station at Night.

Constable Savage yesterday placed in jail the thief and restored to the owner a bicycle which was stolen from Firemen R. F. Thompson, at Engine Co. No. 1, Fourth and Princess streets, night before last. The wheel was taken from inside the engine house, near the door, and was not missed by Mr. Thompson until yesterday morning. He got word that a small colored boy had been seen taking a wheel answering the description of the stolen one into his aunt's house in the alley at the rear of the W. L. I. armory. A warrant was secured from Justice Fowler and Constable Savage entered the house on a search for the stolen property. The wheel was found covered up under some bags and other cloth in the house and sixteen-year-old Walter Hayes, colored, was pulled from under a bed where he had been in hiding. Members of the household pretended to know nothing of the presence of the wheel in the house and not to know who brought it there until Constable "Took" threatened to carry the "whole shootin' match" down if they didn't open up with the information.

IN HONOR OF CAPT. McNEILL.

His Native City Preparing to Welcome Return of Their "Fire Chief."

The people of Fayetteville are preparing to give Capt. James D. McNeill a royal welcome upon his return from St. Louis, where on Tuesday he was elected president of the National Firemen's Association, a position of honor to which a good salary is attached. Mayor C. B. McMillan and the Board of Aldermen of Fayetteville yesterday issued the following proclamation in anticipation of the welcome to Capt. McNeill:

"WHEREAS, our distinguished townsman and fellow-citizen, Hon. Jas. D. McNeill, was on yesterday at St. Louis elected as president of the National Firemen's Association, we deem it but proper that a mass-meeting of the citizens be held in the City Hall at 5 o'clock this afternoon to make arrangements for a reception to be tendered him on his return, thus showing our appreciation of the honor conferred by the National Firemen's Association upon one of our citizens."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Sallie Bryan, of Atlanta, is visiting in the city.

— Mr. R. L. Bridger, of Bladenboro, was here yesterday.

—Dr. W. H. Crowell, of Burgaw, spent yesterday in the city.

—Miss Lena Pemberton, of Fayetteville, is visiting in the city.

— Miss Gertrude Bryan, of Scott's Hill, is visiting relatives in the city.

— Dr. D. I. Watson, of Southport, has returned from a visit to Marion, S. C.

— Mr. and Mrs. Jno. F. Garrell have gone to Western North Carolina to spend some time.

—Mrs. R. A. Gore and Miss Julia Gore have returned from Southport, where they spent some time.

— Mrs. Thad. Smith, of Florence, S. C., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Middleton, No. 216 Harnett street.

— Miss Ruby Rivers Wiggs, of this city, and Miss Katie McRae, of Rocky Mount, are visiting in Columbus, Ga.

— Among the Wilmington boys now spending their vacation here is Mr. W. P. Oldham, Jr., of the Southern Railway in Washington, D. C.

— Mr. Price Furpless of Southport, is in the city securing labor for one of the big construction contracts which he has in an adjoining county.

—Among last evening's arrivals were: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williamson, Miss Ruth Williamson, and Master Horace Williamson, of Florence, S. C.

—Pender *Chroniele*: "Miss Kate Carroll, one of Wilmington's most charming young ladies, is visiting her friend, Mrs. D. W. Ramsey, this week."

— Mr. E. G. King has resigned his position in the A. C. L. auditor's office and will leave to-day for Sanford, Fla., to engage in truck farming. His family will join him the latter part of September.

— Master R. A. Brand, Jr., arrived in the city yesterday evening and is a permanent guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brand, No. 218 South Third street, to whom friends are extending congratulations.

BOTH LEGS MASHED OFF.

Colored A. C. L. Fireman Met With Painful Accident Last Night—May Die.

Frank Flowers, a colored fireman on a shifting engine of the A. C. L., 19 or 20 years of age, was run over and both legs were practically mashed off at about the middle of the thighs, last night about 9:30 o'clock on the yards of the Standard Pole and Tie Company where some cars were being shifted. Full particulars of the accident were not ascertained. The negro was removed to the James Walker Memorial Hospital upon a hurry call for the ambulance. Both legs were amputated but at 1 o'clock this morning the wounded man was doing very well.

TRAP SHOOT IN RALEIGH.

McCormick, of Charlotte, Won the Medal. Wilson Man's High Score.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 24.—In the shoot of the North Carolina Trap Shooters' Association here to-day the interest centered in the individual State championship. There were 25 entries, the prize being a medal. Only eight men finished because in the first squad shooting, George L. Lyon, of Durham, and H. T. McCormick, of Charlotte, broke 49 out of a possible 50 targets.

On the shooting off of this tie, McCormick won with 24 out of a possible 25, Lyon missing two birds. George Lyon won the amateur high average for the two days of the tournament, breaking 180 out of 200 on the first and 185 on the second day.

E. S. Killette, of Wilson, won the amateur high average for second day, breaking 188. Killette broke 47 out of 50 in the championship match, and this made his total percentage 94 for to-day, which was the best record for both days.

CONTEST IS VERY CLOSE.

Second Primary for Sheriff in Edgecombe County—The Vote.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

TARBORO, N. C., Aug. 24.—As neither of the aspirants received a sufficient number of votes to nominate in the primary August 4th, another primary was held to-day to choose between two leaders as candidates for sheriff. The returns from the different townships are late in coming in and the vote is apparently very close. Friends of both Dawson and Jenkins claim a majority of a very few votes.

Seashore Hotel Arrivals.

Among yesterday's arrivals at the Seashore Hotel were: Miss Elisa Ferguson, of Laurinburg; Dr. C. Covington, of Rocky Mount; W. Allen Chisholm, of Sanford; F. P. Lawton and Miss Laura Lawton, of Hartsville; W. J. Morgan and G. A. Morgan, of Florence, S. C.; S. P. Shaw and wife, of Marion, S. C.; G. A. Grimsley, Greensboro; A. C. Foscue, of Mayaville, N. C.; Miss Annie Taylor, of Pittsboro; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Williams and son, of Lancaster, N. C.

Building Permits Issued.

The following building permits were granted yesterday: Rogers & Thomas, contractors, two-story frame building, tin-roof, next to corner of Seventh and Nixon streets. Thad F. Tyler, contractor, three one-story frame, metal roof buildings on Surry street, between Castle and Queen streets, for Mrs. A. P. McClammy.

ANOTHER CUT IN PRICES AT

SOLOMON'S SHOE STORE,

9 and 11 South Front Street,

ON ACCOUNT OF LOW PRICES ON

Summer Footwear

The past week was one of fast and furious selling, but we still have too many Oxfords in the two, two fifty and three dollar grades. They will all go at these prices:

$3.00 Grade Now $2.25
2.50 Grade Now 1.75
2.00 Grade Now 1.50

Better hurry a bit before your size is gone. Positively none charged or sent out on approval. If your purchase isn't satisfactory when you arrive home we'll refund the money.

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Great Clearing Sale

One-third off of everything I sell except

VICTOR TALKING MACHINES.

I leave for New York August 20th, and intend to close out Skirts, Waists and Hats. Our $10 Skirts will be $6.66, and our $6 Skirts $4, $3 Skirt $2, $1 Skirt 66c. Our $3 Silk Waist $2 and $1.50 Waist $1, 75c Waist 50c and 50c Waist 33c. Will also sell you Ribbons and Hats one third off.

Don't forget The Victor Talking Machine, it speaks and sings as plain and distinct as you can; plays as loud as a brass band. Price $15, $17.50 and $40. Records, 7-inch $5 dozen, 10-inch $10 dozen. Needles for Talking Machine 55c per 1,000. You can hear it plainly half a mile.

PARIS MILLINERY EMPORIUM,

au 2¡tf 129 Market Street, Wilmington, N. C.

COARSE SALT

320 Bags Coarse Salt here,
1,280 Bags Coarse Salt en route.
4,240 Bags Fine Salt here.
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Hon. Charles R. Thomas, the distinguished young Congressman from the Third District, who has served his people so well as to brook all opposition for the office which he holds so long as he wants it, arrived in the city yesterday on his way to Moore's Creek battleground, Pender county, where he will address a large gathering at a celebration and picnic to be held there to-day. The people may rest assured that Mr. Thomas will have something good to say and will say it eloquently and earnestly. A large number of Wilmington people will attend the celebration, leaving on the A. & Y. train this morning.

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H. B. VARNER.
Corporation Commissioner:
S. L. ROGERS.
Commissioner of Agriculture:
S. L. PATTERSON.

WE DID NOT BUTT IN.

We believed at the time that the news from Shanghai the other day was too much on the yellow order for any American newspaper to fly off the handle and comment unnecessarily about America's butting in. The situation at Shanghai was critical, but we could not conceive of an American naval commander with so little gumption as to be made the catspaw for the European powers in enforcing the neutrality of China in the war between Japan and Russia.

The latest news from Shanghai is that the United States torpedo-boat destroyer Chauncey did not follow the Japanese torpedo-boat destroyer into port in order to prevent an attack on the two disabled Russian warships which are repairing their damages at the docks. It turns out that the Chauncey's movements had nothing to do with the entrance of the Japanese warship into Shanghai. Our ship simply followed the Jap vessel in that she might look after American interests. One story had it that the Chauncey took a position between the Japanese ship and the Russian ships at the dock. This was not true.

The Republican jingoes in the United States were ready to hurrah over this supposed brilliant stroke of the Roosevelt administration in China. Later dispatches from Shanghai and Washington, however, denied that the United States had butted into the Eastern complications. We have eight warships there, and it was doubtless disheartening news to the jingoists, that they were not startling the world by taking the initiative in a matter that is the least our business.

It is enough that Uncle Sam is on the spot, but the administration wants to get it out of its head that we are there with "the big stick" in any sense of the term. The dispatches state that in diplomatic circles in London on Monday it was preferred that the United States take the initiative in maintaining the neutrality of China. Russia has violated the neutrality agreements, and Japan has warships at Shanghai to look after her rights in the matter. China is helpless and if any effort is to be made to compel China's neutrality to be respected by either or both the belligerents, it is the affair of all the powers acting jointly. However, before the consuls of the power would take the responsibility of acting jointly they referred the matter to their respective governments.

The upshot of it will be that the two Russian ships which are repairing at Shanghai will have to disarm and remain in port till the close of the war. They were not compelled to leave port under the time limit of neutrality, and we belive that any court of arbitration will decide, after the war, that the two ships are prizes of the Japanese. If they repair and come out of port, Japan has at the entrance to the harbor several ships that will make short work of them.

End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abcess on my right lung," writes J. F. Hughes, of DuPont, Ga., "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort, I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit I received was striking, and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I have entirely regained my health." It conquers all Coughs, Colds, and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

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THE ELEPHANT MUST WALK THE PLANK

What is needed in this country is a party which will conduct the government in the interest of the people, and not exploit it for the emoluments of office and the advantage of party. Most politicians run for an office for what they can get out of it, and not that the value of their services will be in the improvement and advancement of popular government.

The people have to decide as to the class of men and parties who are to be trusted with power, and it is about time for them to take notice of what the Republican party is in business for. Most any body with two eyes can observe that the average Republican considers that the public office is the near cut to the feed trough. That party inculcate that idea by its spoils system, and it is time for it to go out of business.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Suppose the Postmaster General should substitute for the name "Vardaman" that of "Booker."—Baltimore Sun.

—— The President is quoted as saying he is convinced the State authorities are competent to handle the Colorado situation. The President evidently has more confidence in the State authorities than they have in themselves.—Washington Post.

—— Frank James, of Missouri, has announced his intention of supporting President Roosevelt. James, it will be remembered, was one of the originators of the movement to put the railroad and express trusts out of business.—Washington Post.

—— Over 1,000,000 voters absented themselves from the polls four years ago; another million or more have come upon the stage of action since then. There is thus an uncertainty regarding 2,000,000 and probably a much larger number of voters this year. In a total vote of probably 15,000,000 this year, the majority vote of these 2,000,000 may, and probably will, decide the contest. Here is a factor that the campaign managers will do well to recognize and direct their attention to its conservatism.—Toledo Blade.

—— Under the terms of the regulations governing the aeronautic concourse of the Exposition, whereby a capital prize of $160,000 is offered for the successful demonstration of a dirigible airship, provision was made for a long-distance aerial flight from the Exposition grounds to Washington Monument at Washington, D. C., for which an award of $5,000 was offered to the racing balloon accomplishing the feat within the shortest time limit. The first of these trials is scheduled to begin next Saturday.—St. Louis Dispatch.

—— The Archbishop of Canterbury has finally decided to pay a visit to the United States. There is no precedent, we believe, at Lambeth palace for this adventure; but even archbishops grow weary of precedents. This will be a novelty with a purpose. For beyond the interest taken by every intelligent man in a first visit to the States, His Grace goes with an open mind to inquire into a question that causes him some perplexity. "He wants to find out how it happens that Americans grow up God-fearing, though their education is what people in this country call godless." That is the explanation of his visit given by one of his friends.

— The Democrats of Hyde county met in Swan Quarter August 16th for the purpose of selecting candidates for county officers. Every voting precinct was well represented, and harmony prevailed throughout the day. It was a determined set and the current of the tide was strong that every old officer offering himself should be put out of action, for even the old fellows were there with the same old how-do-you-do smile, even confident. But, now, Hyde county had said: "We are going to make a change, and that to-day." Some of the new candidates sought to get in the old wagon, but it had mired in the mud out of sight, with all on board. An entirely new set of nominees for all the offices were named.

— Balty Moore—Cowper was a great guy for his secret societies, wasn't he? Calvert, Jr.—I never heard so; but why do you suspect it? Balty Moore—Wasn't it he who wrote "O for a Lodge in Some Vast Wilderness?"—Baltimore American.

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RECORDS OF THE STATE OF FRANKLIN UNEARTHED.

Story of John Sevier's Application to the Legislature for a Pardon for Treason. Rich Find by Secretary Grimes.

[*Raleigh Post, August 24th.*]

The constitution of the ancient and short-lived State of Franklin and the papers relating to this curious rebellion against the colony of North Carolina was the rich find made yesterday by Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes in the archives at the capitol.

The discovery will throw considerable light on a famous event in American history. In 1784, before North Carolina had been admitted into the union, the pioneers who had pushed their way westward and settled in the wilds of the mountains of this State and what is now Tennessee, became dissatisfied with North Carolina's dealing with the Indians and the absence of law enforcement, so they set up an independent commonwealth and named it in honor of Benjamin Franklin.

Alex. Martin was then Governor of North Carolina and Patrick Henry was the Governor of Virginia. John Sevier, a bold pioneer, was chosen Governor of the new State. He received small comfort in his efforts to secure recognition of the independence of Franklin from either North Carolina or Virginia and his appeal to Congress met with little consideration, since North Carolina herself was still out of the Union.

North Carolina persisted in claiming sovereignty over the territory, and finally the backwoodsmen were in the absurd position of having two courts in session at the same time and also of electing members to the Legislature of both North Carolina and Franklin. In 1787, after three years of turbulent existence, the State of Franklin ceased to exist and that section remained a part of North Carolina until Tennessee was formed.

The story of John Sevier's life will furnish fine material for a historical novel. For his leadership in the Franklin movement he was looked upon as a rebel against North Carolina. He was also held responsible for the massacre of a party of friendly Indians, and was made a captive by John Tipton and others. The prisoner was brought across the mountains to Morganton to stand trial for treason. However, a band of mounted desperadoes and followers of Sevier made the trip to Morganton, broke open the jail and gave the captive a fleet horse on which he made his escape. Among the papers found by Secretary Grimes yesterday was Sevier's application to the legislature of North Carolina for a pardon and the report of the legislative committee on the subject.

The unearthing of these old records in the archives of the State will be invaluable to historians. It is doubtful if any copy of the constitution of the State of Franklin is in existence, although Ramsey's history of Tennessee gives what he purports to be a copy. The fascinating story of the State of Franklin is told in one of the volumes of President Roosevelt's Winning of the West.

Secretary Grimes has turned over his latest find to Chief Justice Walter Clark for publication in an additional volume of North Carolina Colonial Records.

TWINKLINGS.

— Meggendorfer Blaetter: "You are still a bachelor. Yet you say you are lucky with women." "Certainly. Don't they always refuse me?"

— "She is the stiffest, most unbending Summer girl I ever saw." "How is that?" "Why, she won't even stoop to pick up an acquaintance."—Chicago Journal.

— Briggs—Mrs. Pacer is a very bright woman, judging from my interview with her. Griggs—What did she say? Briggs—Nothing much. But she approved of what I said.—Detroit Free Press.

— She—Arthur, I showed papa that poem you wrote about me.—He—And was he pleased?—She—Yes. He says that he is satisfied now that at least you are not a poet. Fliegende Blaetter.

—Maud—"Thinkof it! Jack tried to take my hand last night—and wanted to know if that would be asking too much." Mabel—"The idiot! You told him, of course, it wouldn't be asking half enough."

—Green (looking for a trade)—"How long have you owned that watch?" Brown — "About two years." Green—"Does it gain or lose?" Brown—"Well, it lost thirty days not long ago."—Chicago News.

— Mother—You say you didn't let him hug you? Why, Ethel, I was sure I saw you hugging him. Ethel—Well-er-I thought if I only squeezed him real hard I might make him let go.—Philadelphia Press.

— "What do you mean by jabbing your umbrella in my eye, sir?" asked the indignant victim. "Kindly give me your address," calmly replied the offending party, "and I'll ask the owner of the umbrella to mail you an apology the first time I see him."—Chicago News.

Last Big Excursion.

The last big excursion of the year will be operated to Fayetteville on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5th, over the famous Atlantic Coast Line, by Thos. H. Knight, whose excursions are always patronized by the best people, because they are absolutely the best of excursions. A visit to Fayetteville is always a most delightful pleasure. Don't miss the last chance of the year, for an opportunity to go to Fayetteville for the exceedingly low price of $1.00 for the round trip does not offer itself every day. Train leaves depot at 7:30 A. M., and will leave Fayetteville on the return at 12:00 o'clock, midnight. Yours truly,

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COTTON.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The deterioration reported in the cotton crop seems to be so general and far-reaching that I now regard the prospect of even a moderate crop as doubtful. Taking the belt as a whole the Atlantic States seem to be the only section from which even an average crop can be expected. Should an early frost or dry weather injure the prospects in these States, it is probable that cotton would go to extreme prices and stay there, as five short crops would convince the world that the maximum productive capacity of the cotton belt has been attained.

Under the circumstances, I feel justified in advising producers of cotton in the South not to sell their crop except at full price.

If any unity of action in this respect can be secured I think that 12 cents a pound can be legitimately and commercially realized by this year's cotton crop and this without manipulation or resort to speculative coercion.

THEODORE H. PRICE.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Raleigh Post: Mr. Tom Watson will have hard work drawing recruits from the Democratic ranks this year. Recent experiences are too vividly recalled.

— A 7-year-old boy fell in a well in Asheville the other day and the women of the neighborhood, instead of getting excited and screaming, hustled for a clothes-line, dropped it to the boy, he took hold and they pulled him out.

— Mr. McClamrock and wife, of Davie county, were driving to Mocksville Tuesday morning, and when within a mile of Winston Mr. McClamrock suffered a stroke of paralysis and died within a few minutes after being removed from the vehicle to a near-by house. He was about fifty years old. He leaves a wife and eight children.

— Raleigh Post: Mr. C. C. Wheeler, the Confederate veteran from near Creedmoor, Granville county, who was brought to Rex Hospital several days ago suffering from an old wound received in the famous charge at Gettysburg, was operated upon yesterday morning. His leg was amputated and he was reported yesterday evening to be getting along nicely.

— Gastonia Gazett: No use to undertake to turn down the Iredell county folks. A genius up there has invented a new job. He is a man who 'tends to folks' things when they are gone a visiting. The Amity correspondent of the Statesville Landmark says: "He keeps house, does the milking, 'tends to the chickens, shoots dogs, feeds the hogs, etc., for his board, and he is alright, too. You may just bet he is in demand about now."

— Statesville Landmark: It is evident that the drug stores in Fayetteville, a dry town, supply in a measure at least the place of the abolished saloons. The Fayetteville correspondent of the Charlotte Observer tells that in an investigation before a magistrate in that town a few days ago it was shown that from November 23, 1903, to May 1, 1904, less than six months, one drug store had filled 1,861 physicians' prescriptions for brandy, whiskey, beer, etc., "averaging perhaps a quart each." This was from one drug store. Reports from five others were presented, but the amount sold by the five is not stated; neither is there any estimate of the amount sold without the formality of a physician's prescription.

— Greensboro Telegram: It is a little difficult to understand wherein an abandonment of the primary plan for the old plan of leaving everything to a convention can be described as "going back to the good old Democratic plan." The primary plan is the good Democratic plan if it is not the good old Democratic plan. We believe that it would be a backward step for the Democrats of any county in North Carolina to surrender the so recently conceived desire to give every member of the party a voice in the party councils. In any case it is largely a matter of party policy and a recent action of the State committee endorsing the primary and enlarging its scope should have very great weight with the smaller subdivisions of the organization.

— A case of considerable importance was tried before Squire G. F. Woodard in Princeton, Johnston county, Tuesday afternoon. Mattie Blackman, a fifteen year old white girl, had sworn out a warrant for criminal assault against her cousin, James Peedin, 21 years of age. The crime is alleged to have been committed at the home of Catherine Peedin, mother of the accused, near Smithfield, last September. The girl since the death of her mother had been living with her aunt, Catherine Peedin. The girl, who was only fourteen years of age when the offense was committed and who is soon to become a mother, was introduced as a witness by the State and told her story in a simple manner, and then told how she was driven away from the only home that she had after it was learned that she was in her present deplorable condition. The girl said she told her story to three negro women, all of whom, together with Mrs. Peedin and a brother of the accused, were introduced as witnesses for the defense, and emphatically denied any knowledge of the facts testified to by the girl. After hearing the case the magistrate bound the defendant over to the next term of Johnston county Superior court in the sum of $200. Court will meet at Smithfield on the first Monday in September.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, August 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 52¾c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.30 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.70 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.25 per barrel for hard, $3.75 for dip, $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 51c bid; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.65; crude turpentine firm at $1.75 @3.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	49
Rosin	65
Tar	53
Crude turpentine	74

Receipts same day last year—90 casks spirits turpentine, 72 barrels rosin, 65 barrels tar, 159 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market nominal.
Same day last year, nominal.
Receipts—2 bales; same day last year, —.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, $1.30; extra prime, $1.35; fancy, $1.40, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, $1.05; extra prime, $1.07½; fancy, $1.10. Spanish, $1.10.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, 12c.

EGGS—Dull at 16c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@30c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@37c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 90@$1.00 per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Money on call was easy at ⅞@1 per cent.; closing bid ⅞ per cent; offered at 1 per cent.; time loans easy and dull; sixty days 2 per cent.; ninety days 2¼@2½ per cent.; six months 3¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3¾@4¼ per ct. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 488.10 for demand and 485.45@485.50 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 486 and 489. Commercial bills 485¼@485¾. Bar silver 57¾. Mexican dollars 45¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 105; do. coupon, 105¼; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 131¼; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 132; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 106¼; do. coupon, 106¾; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 100¾; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 101¼; Seaboard Air Line 4's 77¼; Southern Railway 5's, 117¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 92; Chesapeake & Ohio 37¾; Manhattan L 154½; New York Central 121; Reading 57; do. 1st pref'd, 84; do. 2nd pref'd 72¾; Southern Railway 29; do. pref'd 93¾; Amalgamated Copper 56¾; People's Gas 101¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 44; U. S. Leather 7¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 86; Western Union 89¼; U. S. Steel 11¾; do. preferred 58¾; Mexican Central 11½; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 32; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 104; sales — shares. Standard Oil 625.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Rosin quiet. Strained common to good $3 60. Spirits turpentine weak.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels: A, B, C $2 22½; D, $3 25; E, $3 32½; F, $3 35@3 45; G, $3 40@3 45; H, $3 65; I, $3 15; K, $3 37½; M, $3 65; N, $3 80; W G, $4 15; W W, $4 42½.

SAVANNAH, Aug. 24.—Spirits turpentine was steady at 53½; receipts 468 casks; sales 392 casks; exports 50 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 2,004 barrels; sales 1,828 barrels; exports 1,891 barrels: A, B, C, $3 35; D, $3 40; E, $3 45; F, $3 50; G, $3 00; H, $3 75; I, $3 35; K, $3 57½; M, $3 85; N, $4 00; W G, $4 35; W W, $4 62½.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The activity and excitement continued in to-day's cotton market. Liverpool also showed a disposition to follow the local decline of late yesterday and with the weather good sentiment here seemed to have rather bearish average before the opening. But the bulls evidently had some definite object in mind and the market started firm at an advance of four points on August and of thirteen to twenty-one points on the later positions. There was a lot of cotton for sale at the advance and for a time fluctuations were very irregular and rapid, with the list showing hardly any tendency, when shorts were unsettled by rumors that H. F. Page & Company, of New Orleans, had suspended. This concern was said to be short of the new crop and part of the line was believed to be held in the local market by various New York houses. When the news of the failure was circulated the months supposed to be involved became tremendously active. October sold from 10.37 to 10.52 in about three transactions and later positions were almost equally excited. The bulls took profits freely on the bulge, checking the advancing tendency and easing the market, slightly, but in the early afternoon again supported. Sentiment was badly mixed and the trade was peculiarly sensitive to rumors which were freely circulated. It was stated that large short lines still remained outstanding for the account of powerful local and Southern interests, and at every pause in the covering the bulls supported prices which worked upwards until in the afternoon they stood about twenty-six to fifty-five points net higher, with August selling at 10.90, September at 10.80, October at 10.69, December at 10.65 and January at 10.67. Toward the close the late months eased off slightly as room longs took profits, but there was a final spurt and covering that closed the market firm at practically the best prices of the session or a net gain of twenty-six to fifty-one points. Sales were estimated at 700,000 bales. The New Orleans market sold off about ten to twelve points after the close here, and transactions were report unofficially after the close here at a decline of about three points as compared with the closing figures. It was a matter of gossip here that the Page concern was short some one hundred thousand bales of the new crop months. There was no estimates as to how much of this had been in the local market, and the account was said to be so scattered that no large losses fall on any individual house but it is probable that the gradual covering of this cotton during the session had actual influence in the afternoon firmness.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Cotton was dull at 11.20c, net receipts — bales; gross receipts 2,741 bales; stock 34,096 bales.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 11.20c; middling gulf 11.45c; sales — bales.

Cotton futures market closed firm: August 10.90, September 10.80, October 10.66, November 10.62, December 10.62, January 10.63, February 10.64, March 10.65, April 10.65, May 10.68.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 4,108 bales; exports to Great Britain 109 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 1,459 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 90,832 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 1,340 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,503 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to Continent 1,659 bales; exports to Japan 502 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 7,168,318 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,506,745 bales; exports to France 699,133 bales; exports to the Continent 2,597,325 bales; exports to Japan 46,697 bales; exports to Mexico 37,943 bales.

Aug. 24.—Galveston, firm at 10¾, net receipts 1,894 bales; Norfolk, nominal, net receipts — bales; Baltimore, nominal at 11.50c, net receipts 414 bales; Boston, quiet at 11.20c, net receipts 61 bales; Wilmington, nominal, net receipts 3 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 11.45, net receipts — bales; Savannah, steady at 10¾c, net receipts 766 bales; New Orleans, firm at 11c, net receipts 589 bales; Mobile, nominal at 10½, net receipts 306 bales; Memphis, quiet at 10¾c, net receipts 16 bales; Augusta, very steady at 11c, net receipts 93 bales; Charleston, nominal at —, net receipts — bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Flour was barely steady, with little better inquiry; Minnesota patents $5 90@6 40. Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red $1 08¾ f. o. b. afloat. Options weak at 3½@4½c net decline: September closed $1 09½; December closed $1 08¾; May closed $1 08¾. Corn—Spot weak; No. 2 60¼. Options closed 1½@1¾c net lower: September closed 59⅝; December closed 50c. Oats—Spot easy; mixed, 26@32 lbs, 36¾@37½c. Pork was steady; $13 25@13 75. Peanuts quoted steady; fancy hand-picked 6¼c; other domestic 3@6½c. Cabbages quiet; Long Island, per hundred, $1 00@2 50; per barrel crate 25@75c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 15@20. Potatoes—Market was quoted easy: Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 50@1 63; Jersey, and Southern $1 37@1 50; Southern sweets $2 00@2 50. Molasses firm. Rice quiet. Lard steady. Sugar—Rawfirm; refined quiet. Butter, firm; State dairy, common to extra 12@17c; creamery, common to extra 13@18c. Cheese barely steady; State, full cream small colored fancy 9; large colored fancy 8½. Eggs quiet; State, Pennsylvania and nearby extras 25@26; Southern 15@18c. Tallow dull. Cotton seed oil was firm on good outside demand and support. Quotations closed: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 22½c; prime summer yellow 28½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 31¼@32c; prime winter yellow 32@32½c.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Pronounced skepticism to-day in the wheat trade largely displaced wild credulity as to rust damage. In consequence September wheat fell 5 1-2c from the previous close and suffered a net loss of 4 7 8c. Corn is off 1-8c, oats closed 3-4c down, provisions range from 5 to 7 1-8c advance to 2 1-2c to 5c decline.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Cash prices: Flour—Market easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 15; No. 3 spring $1 00@1 00½; No. 2 red $1 09@1 10½. Corn—No. 2 54c; No. 2 yellow 55½c. Oats—No. 2 31¾@32c; No. 2 white 32¾@35¼c; No. 3 white 34@34½c. Rye—No. 2 74c. Mess pork, per bbl., $11 75@11 80. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 90@6 92½. Short rib sides, loose, $7 37½ 7 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 00@8 25. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 28.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 September, old, 1 10, 1 10, 1 05, 1 05½; do. new, 1 08¼, 1 08¼, 1 03¼, 1 03¾; December 1 08¾@1 09¼, 1 09½, 1 04¾, 1 04¾; May $1 10¾@1 10¾, 1 10¾, 1 06¾, 1 06¾. Corn—September 55¾@55¾, 55¾, 53¾, 53¾; December 54¼@54¾, 54½, 53⅞, 53⅞c; May 53¾@53¾, 53¾, 51¾, 51¾c. Oats—No. 2 September 33¼, 33¾, 33½c; December 34¼@34⅜, 34⅜, 34¼, 34¼c; May 37@37¼, 37¾, 36⅝, 36⅝c. Mess pork, per bbl—September $11 70, 11 75, 11 67½, 11 70; October $11 87½, 11 87½, 11 77½, 11 77½; January $13 00, 13 10, 12 97½, 13 00. Lard, per 100 lbs—September $6 90, 6 95, 6 90, 6 95; October $6 97½, 7 05, 6 97½, 7 05; January $7 10, 7 12½, 7 07½, 7 10. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—September $7 32½, 7 40, 7 32½, 7 40; October $7 42½, 7 47½, 7 42½, 7 47½; January $6 80, 6 85, 6 80, 6 80.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; mild steady. The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance of 5@10 points and closed steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 5 points. Sales of 150,750 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 24.—Cotton: Spot, in limited demand; prices four points higher; American middling fair 6.66d; good middling 6.52d; middling 6.40d; low middling 6.24d; good ordinary 6.02d; ordinary 5.78d. The sales of the day were 4,000 bales, of which 400 bales were for speculation and export and included 2,900 bales American. Receipts 5,000 bales, including 1,200 bales American.

Futures opened easier and closed strong; American middling (g o c): August 6.36d; August and September 6.04d; September and October 5.83d; October and November 5.71d; November and December 5.67d; December and January 5.64; January and February 5.63d; February and March 5.63d; March and April 5.64d; April and May 5.64d; May and June 5.64d.

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Sedgwick, 473 tons, Hagerthy, C D Maffitt.
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A. & Y. Railroad—13 casks spirits turpentine, 13 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—3 casks spirits turpentine, 19 barrels rosin, 15 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer City of Fayetteville—13 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels rosin, 14 barrels tar, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Sanders—2 casks spirits turpentine.

Total—2 bales cotton, 49 casks spirits turpentine, 65 barrels rosin, 53 barrels tar, 74 barrels crude turpentine.

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A Doctor's Device

[Original.]

In the days of the Pennsylvania oil strikes I, then a young physician, was called to examine a man there, Samuel Granger, who had inherited a farm near which oil had been struck and whose brain was supposed to have been affected by the sudden turn of his fortune. He heard sounds no one else could hear, and at intervals a ghost came into his room at night. He lived with his aunt, who wanted to have him placed in an asylum.

I didn't care to have the patient or his aunt know that I was going to examine him, so I wrote that I would arrive much later than I intended. One morning I went to the house without either the aunt or nephew knowing that I was coming. The door was opened by the aunt.

"I understand," I said, "that this property is for sale. I would like to buy it if I can do so at a fair price and get a clear title."

"You can't buy it or get a clear title either. My nephew owns it, and he's gone daft on account of its sudden rise in value.

"Why don't you have him adjudged incompetent to manage his affairs and a guardian appointed?"

"That's what we're trying to do. There's a doctor coming down from the city in a few days to examine him. But I don't believe it'll do any good. Sam sees a ghost every now and then. There isn't any ghost. Nobody but Sam sees it. He's all right on other subjects, and I don't know as you can call a man crazy because he says he has seen a spirit."

"Has any one been with him when he has seen the ghost?"

"Don't know that there has, excepting me."

"How often does the ghost appear?"

"Oh, once in awhile!"

"Will he be likely to see it within the next few days?"

"Maybe, if he gets excited about anything."

"I'll tell you what I'd do if I were you. I'd tell him that the doctor is coming to examine him with a view to putting him in an asylum. Tell it to him the day before you expect the doctor. That will bring on the paroxysm, and he'll fancy he's seen the ghost again. That'll give the doctor an opportunity to talk with him just after he has seen it."

The woman made no reply to this, and, assuring her that I would give a large sum for the property as soon as it could be sold, I left her.

The next day but one I was expected to appear and examine the patient. The next afternoon I went up on a hill overlooking Sam Granger's farm and watched. All I saw was a young man come to a window but a few feet above the roof of a piazza. After dark I stole down to the house and climbed up a trellis to the window. It was summer, and the window was open. There was no one in the room, but a light on a table showed me by the presence of clothing, pipes, tobacco and such things scattered about that it was a man's room. I waited on the piazza roof till after 9 o'clock, when the young man entered, took off his clothes and went to bed. He looked nervous and haggard.

What I was after was to see him under the influence of his vision without his knowing of my presence. His aunt had doubtless excited him by telling him that I was coming, and he would be pretty sure to see the ghost. I could hear him tossing in the bed, but as the lamp was not lighted I could not see him. I waited till nearly 11 o'clock, when he had quieted down, and I thought he was asleep. But suddenly he gave a shriek, and I could faintly see him sitting up in bed, doubtless staring at his vision. I cast my eyes about the room, and to the left, near a door, I saw a luminous white figure, apparently of a woman.

For a moment I was taken aback. I had no idea of anything appearing except to the young man's excited brain. Here was something that I could see myself. Then it occurred to me that the ghost's garments had been rubbed with phosphorus. The figure stood a few moments and was turning to go before I gathered my faculties, but suddenly under an impulse I sprang into the window, dashed across the room and seized its skirts just as it had got into the hall. Then with one arm around a buxom waist I drew the apparition back into the room, took out my matchbox and lit the lamp. My next move was to pull a piece of white muslin from the apparition and expose the head and shoulders of the aunt.

"Who are you?" she cried angrily.

"I'm the man that wants to buy this farm, alias the doctor who was to come here to examine your nephew. He doesn't need any examination. It is plain that you are anxious to shut him up, doubtless with a view to being appointed his guardian and getting a hand on his property."

The young man was astonished that his ghost was human and at the same time shocked at what his aunt had been doing. Then he fell into a rage with her and despite my efforts to prevent drove her out of the house.

When I returned to the city and related my experience to some of my young medical associates they all declared that I had mistaken my calling; I should have been a detective. To this I replied that I had been especially stupid from a detective point of view, as I had not for a moment suspected the real cause of Sam Granger's mental trouble.

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Why Italians Fence Well.

Experiments show that the nervousness of southerners acts in a most marked manner to their disadvantage. Owing to a greater nervousness and quickness of response, they impose severer strains on already tired muscles. The skill of the Italians with the foil is an instance of the greater speed of their motor nerves.—Professor Mosso's Book on Fatigue.

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The Tale of the Telephone.

The first telephone that was ever used was not electrical, nor was it a scientific instrument in any sense of the term. About the middle of the nineteenth century the employees of a large factory in Sheffield, England, beguiled their leisure hours by kitefying. Kites large and small went up daily, and the strife was to see who could get the largest. The twine which held them was the thread spun and twisted by the ladies of the village.

One day to the tail of the largest kite was attached a kitten, sewed in a canvas bag, with a netting over the mouth to give it air. When the kite was at its greatest height—200 feet or more—the mewing could be distinctly heard by those holding the string. To the clearness of the atmosphere was attributed the hearing of the kitten's voice. This is the first account we remember of speaking along a line.

Difference Between "Pi" and "Pie."

When type that has been set up is accidentally overturned or mixed, the jumble and its results are technically known as "pi." Some years ago Joel Chandler Harris, the author, was playing whist at Warm Springs, Ga., with three ladies. The latter had bothered "Uncle Remus" considerably by talking throughout the game and by asking him foolish questions. Finally one said: "Oh, Mr. Harris! Please tell me what is the real difference between 'p-i' and 'p-i-e.'"

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Queer Looking Worms.

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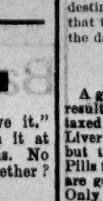

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Boat leaves Wilmington daily except Saturday and Sunday.	For Southport. .15 A. M.	For Carolina Beach. A. M. 9.15 P. M. 2.45, 5.15	Leave Southport for Wilmington. A. M. 11.45	Leave Carolina Beach for Wilmington. 12.30, 3.30, 6 P. M.
Saturday Schedule...	5.00 and 2.00 P. M.	2.00 P. M.	8.00 A. M., 5.00 P. M	9.00 A.M., 6.00 P. M
Sunday Schedule.....	9.30 A. M., 2.30 P. M	A. M. 2.30 P. M. 7.45	11.45 A.M., 6.45 P.M	12.30, P. M. 6, 9 45

Fare on 5:15 Boat to Pier and return 15 cents.
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$66.25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles, Cal., and return September 5th to 9th, and 19th to 25th, account Triennial Conclave Knights Templar and Sovereign Grand Lodge I. O. O. F.

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TO THE SEASHORE!

SUBURBAN TROLLEY SCHEDULE.

In Effect July 23rd, 1904.

Leave Front and Princess Sts. Wilmington.	Leave Casino Wrightsville Beach.
*6 00 A. M.	*6 40 A. M.
*7 00 A. M.	7 30 A. M.
8 00 "	*8 00 "
9 00 "	*8 30 "
10 00 "	9 00 "
11 00 "	10 00 "
12 00 M	11 00 "
1 00 P. M.	12 00 M.
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11 00 "	11 00 "
11 30 "	11 30 "
	12 00 "

*Daily except Sunday

The Company is not responsible for the operation of this schedule.

The first car leaving the Casino at 7:30 A. M will make no stops after leaving Wrightsville, arriving in Wilmington at 8:00 A. M. The second car leaving at 7:30 A. M. will make all stops reaching Front and Princess streets at 8:30 A. M.

A. C. L. & S. A. L. CONNECTIONS

TRAINS ARRIVING

Arrive in Wilmington.	Arrive at the Beach.
A. C. L. 10 10 A. M.	11 45 A. M.
" 12 30 P. M.	1 45 P. M.
S. A. L. 12 45 "	2 15 "
A. C. L. 1 40 "	2 45 "
" 6 00 "	7 25 "

TRAINS LEAVING

Leave Wilmington.	Leave the Beach.
A. C. L. 8 47 A. M	7 30 A. M.
" 9 00 "	7 30 "
" 2 25 P. M.	1 00 P. M.
S. A. L. 3 10 "	2 00 "
A. C. L. 6 50 "	5 30 "

Through cars for the Beach will connect with all important trains. In other cases conductors will assist passengers with baggage at transfer points and give any information required.

BAGGAGE.

From	Delivered at Beach.
A. C. L. due 10 10 A. M.	5 00 P. M.
" " 12 30 P. M.	" "
S. A. L. " 12 45 "	" "
A. C. L. " 1 40 "	" "
" " 6 00 "	9 00 "
" " 8 00 "	" "
" " 11 45 "	11 00 A. M.

For	Carried on Freight Leaving Beach.
A. C. L. due to leave at	8 45 A. M. 7 30 A. M.
" " "	9 00 " "
" " "	2 25 P. M. 11 30 "
S. A. L. " "	3 10 " "
A. C. L. " "	6 55 " 5 30 P. M
" " "	6 00 A. M. 5 30 "

FREIGHT.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Beach.
10 00 A. M.	7 30 A. M.
4 00 P. M.	11 30 P. M.
8 30 "	5 30 "

Warehouse open to receive freight daily except Sunday from 8.30 A. M. to 8.30 P. M. Sunday from 9.00 A. M. to 10.00 A. M.; 3.00 P. M. to 4.00 P. M., and 7.30 P. M. to 8.30 P. M.

The Company has a baggage room and ticket office at Wrightsville Beach for handling all express parcels, baggage, validating foreign tickets and the selling of regular round trip tickets. This office will be open daily except Sunday from 7.00 A. M. to 7.30 A. M.; 11.00 A. M. 5.30 P. M. Sundays: 7.00 A. M. to 7.30 A. M.; to 11.00 A. M. to 12.00 M.; 5.00 P. M. to 5.30 P. M.

CITY LINE,

North bound city cars leaving junction at 2.30, 2.40, 2.50 and 3.00 P. M. will run direct to the S. A. L. depot. je 26 tf

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Boston, Mass., National Encampment G. A. R. August 15-20th, 1904. Tickets on sale August 12th, 13th and 14th, final limit to leave Boston not earlier than August 16th and not later than August 20th, except by depositing fifty cents with joint agent at Boston, for an extension of time. For the round trip from Wilmington, via all rail, (day line) $22.50; via New York and Sound, $21.25; via Portsmouth and steamship, $24.40

Asheville, N. C., August 28th, 29th, 30th, final limit September 3rd. For round trip from Wilmington $7.65.

Chattanooga, Tenn., September 11th, 12th, final limit September 20th, except that an extension till September 30th may be secured. For round trip from Wilmington $15 75.

To Austin, Texas, September 11th and 19th, good until September 30th. Round trip, $39.40.

For full information as to routes, stopovers and schedules, apply to

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect April 17, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 00 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro,	12 21 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 33 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 51 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 32 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 43 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	3 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 48 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	7 10 a m
Ar Jacksonville	6 00 a m	4 50 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 18 a m
Ar Charleston	8 14 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	8 45 a m	Ar 3 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 25 p m	Ar 12 30 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.
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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect July 11, 1904.

DAILY TRAIN NO. 39.

Leave Wilmington	3 30 p m
" Lumberton	5 42 p m
" Maxton	6 45 p m
" Laurinburg	7 01 p m
Arrive Hamlet	7 35 p m
Leave Hamlet	7 55 p m
" Monroe	9 50 p m
Arrive Charlotte	10 45 p m

DAILY TRAIN NO. 40.

Leave Charlotte	5 01 a m
" Monroe	5 50 a m
Arrive Hamlet	7 20 a m
Leave Hamlet	8 45 a m
" Laurinburg	9 14 a m
" Maxton	9 30 a m
" Lumberton	10 30 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

DAILY TRAIN NO. 45 EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Leave Wilmington	5 00 a m
" Lumberton	7 21 a m
" Maxton	8 04 a m
" Laurinburg	8 18 a m
Arrive Hamlet	8 50 a m

DAILY TRAIN NO. 44 EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Leave Hamlet	7 35 p m
" Laurinburg	8 05 p m
" Maxton	8 30 p m
" Lumberton	9 08 p m
Arrive Wilmington	11 20 p m

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P.M. 10 35	A.M. 9 10	Lv Richmond Ar
P.M. 11 17	A.M. 10 02	Ar Petersburg Ar
A.M. 1 35	P.M. 12 45	Ar Norlina Lv

A.M. 6 35	P.M. 4 55
A.M. 7 40	P.M. 4 03
A.M. 3 40	P.M. 1 55

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 3 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 06	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 09	7 07	Morehead City	7 23	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.05 P. M No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 23 tf E. L. DILL, Supt.

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NAVAHOE.....Saturday, Sept. 3

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NAVAHOE.....Saturday, Aug. 27
CARIB.....Saturday, Sept. 3

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TO SOUTHPORT AND TO SEA SUNDAY, AUGUST 21,

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 25.

VICTIM OF THE BLACK HAND.

Young Man Shot to Death in His Father's Restaurant—Alleged to Have Disclosed Secrets—The Murderer.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 24.—Salvatore Bossoto, 18 years of age, was shot to death in his father's restaurant in Park street by Carl Rossetl, 35 years of age, to-day, because he had disclosed to the police secrets of the "Black Hand."

The father was knocked down and choked into insensibility by the slayer, who then ran down the street, followed by a great mob. Italians to the number of one thousand later attacked the Elizabeth street police station, hurled missles at the police and prisoner, hurting two detectives and one policeman. They would have torn the murderer limb from limb had it not been for the arrival of the reserve police from two station houses who were forced to use clubs and fists and threatened to shoot.

According to the police the murder was deliberately planned by an organized gang. Bossoto is an enemy of these organized gangs, and his son inherited the father's opposition to the lawless element of their countrymen. When not studying music young Bossoto helped about the restaurant. Several weeks ago he learned that the murderous gang about Mulberry Bend had planned to rob a number of miners who were coming through New York and who had engaged board in the lodging house over the Bossoto restaurant. Young Bossoto went to the police and asked protection for the men, and soon an Italian detective had arrested twelve suspicious characters, who were held until the miners had taken a ship for their homes.

Once out of jail, it is said the gang determined upon Bossoto's death. Early to-day Rossati entered the restaurant, and when approached by the elder Bossoto said he wanted nothing. As Bossoto was about to close the place he asked Rossati to leave. The latter became insolent and refused.

Young Bossoto, who was in the kitchen, heard his father and the man in an argument and came out. The instant he saw young Bossoto, Rossati took a pistol from his pocket, levelled it at the youth and fired. The bullet struck the boy between the eyes and he fell, dying instantly. Rossati then, according to the police, struck the elder Bossoto with his fist, knocking him down, and started to run, but was captured before he had gone two blocks.

On Sunday the Bossotos found on their door the "Bridge of Death," a cabalistic sign of the Sicilians, which is said to be a threat of death.

SITUATION MORE SERIOUS.

Chinese Foreign Office Has Given the Russian Warships at Shanghai Four More Days to Make Repairs.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—The State Department has been advised that the Chinese foreign office has extended the time for repairs on Russian ships in Shanghai to noon of August 28.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 24.—In view of the fact that the Chinese ministry of foreign affairs has given the Russian warships now here four days in which to make repairs the situation is believed to have become more serious.

PARIS, Aug. 24.—There is reason to believe that a decision is about to be taken providing for the voluntary disarmament of the Russian cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovol, now at Shanghai, and the Russian cruiser Diana, at Saigon.

Advices received here from Saigon show, contrary to previous announcements, that the Diana is in a very bad condition. She has one large hole in her hull below the water line. Her injuries will take weeks to repair. This would have permitted an extension of her sojourn in a neutral port beyond the twenty-four hours which expired yesterday, but it is foreseen that the repairs would entail a stay at Saigon and that it is possible that questions affecting the neutrality of the port would be likely to arise, and therefore Russia is disposed to disarm the Diana, which thereafter will remain at Saigon during the war.

ON THE DIAMOND.

Record of Games Played Yesterday by League Teams.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Chicago, 2; New York, 2. (Called on account of rain.)
St. Louis, 1; Boston, 3.
Cincinnati, 3; Brooklyn, 8.
Pittsburg, 3; Philadelphia, 6.
Chicago, 0; New York, 3.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Washington, 2; Cleveland, 1.
Boston, 4; Chicago, 3.
New York, 9; St. Louis, 1.
Philadelphia, 5; Detroit, 7.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Atlanta, 4; Montgomery, 1.
New Orleans, 1; Memphis, 2.
Birmingham, 0; Nashville, 1. 2nd game, Birmingham, 4; Nashville, 2.
Little Rock, 2; Shreveport, 1. Second game: Little Rock, 1; Shreveport, 4.

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE.

Macon, 3; Charleston, 1.
Savannah, 1; Columbia, 5. 2nd game. Savannah 2; Columbia, 3.
Jacksonville, 2; Augusta, 1.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

New Bridge Over Potomac at Washington Will be Open for Traffic Aug. 28th.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—The Southern Railway announces that on August 28th, 1904, the new double track steel bridge across the Potomac river at Washington will be completed, and on and after that date all trains to and from Washington via the Southern Railway will be operated over the bridge. This will greatly facilitate traffic to and from Washington and Alexandria, Va., which has been congested by the crowded condition of the old single track bridge.

Albert Davis and Dave Fields, wife murderers, were hanged yesterday from the same scaffold, at Rolling Fork, Miss.

The Death Penalty.

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or puny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best salve on earth, and will prevent fatalities when Burns, Sores, Ulcers and Piles threatens. Only 25c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CHRISTENING THE HEIR TO THRONE.

The News Heralded to the World With Crash of Cannon and Clamor of Bells.

GREAT REJOICING IN RUSSIA.

Imposing Ceremony in St. Petersburg. The Procession from the Imperial Palace to the Church — A Scene of Magnificence.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 24.—A wave of rejoicing and festivities swept over Russia with the rising of the sun on christening day of the heir to the Russian throne, culminating when the Te Deum, softly chanted in the beautiful little church of the Peterhof palace, announced that the ceremony was accomplished and the news was heralded to the world without by the crash of cannon and chiming of innumerable church bells, reaching from the Baltic to the Black Sea and from the frontiers of Poland to the confines of the farthest East. Notwithstanding the momentuous situation prevailing at the front, the whole population turned gladly for the time being from more serious considerations to participating in the day of glittering ceremonial and pageantry at Peterhof, where the tiny successor of the Great White Czar received at the hands of the church the name of Alexis Nicholaevitch, from which he is destined to pass in course of time to the dignity and responsibility of autocrat of all the Russias.

Within the royal part of the Peterhof palace, from the moment the cortege issued from the gates of Alexandria villa to the instant the glasses were clinked around the imperial table in the great palace, the scene was one of magnificence and brilliancy almost touching the barbaric and possible nowhere in the world save where the West meets the East in the court of "The Little Father of the Russias."

Over perfect roads, beneath stately overhanging trees, the procession moved through the royal park, a beautifully composed, slowly changing picture, perfect to its smallest detail. It was headed by the master of the imperial household, his uniform a mass of gold and decorations. He was surrounded by a retinue of officials only a little less brilliant.

The center of enthusiasm, of course, was the golden state carriage, drawn by eight milk white horses, with outriders and walking grooms and in which sat the Princess Galaizin, mistress of the Empress' household, with the imperial heir. At the door of the coach on the outside, rode the grand equerry of the court, Lieutenant General DeGrunwald, and on the other side, the commander of the household troops, Lieutenant General Hesse, both superbly mounted and uniformed like glittering equestrian statues. Following the coach came an escort with poised lances of the famous Blue Cossacks of the Don of which the baby heir is now Ataman, or commander-in-chief. Each man and horse of this picturesque guard was groomed to perfection, the very ideal of the wild light cavalry of the Russian steppes. The procession passed through the palace to the church. There was another picture in the waiting rooms. The royal salons were filled with a most brilliant assemblage, the ladies of the court, all in sparkling jewels, the officers resplendent in the gorgeous uniforms of the empire. Mingling with the modern throng were many persons in quaint and curious and national costumes, some of them ante-dating the founding of the northern capital on the banks of the Nueva.

The emperor, his face wreathed in smiles, and with the dowager empress on his arm, led the procession, followed by the other members of the imperial family—the grand dukes and grand duchesses in the order of their rank, the baby bringing up the rear, the youngest of all. His majesty was met at the door of the church by the Metropolitan of St. Petersburg, with raised cross. But here the emperor retired, as the rules of the orthodox church gave him no place in the ceremony in which the baby was presented by his spiritual parents to the Heavenly Father. Inside the chapel were assembled the procurator general of the holy snyod, and the members of the holy snyod, the diplomatic corps, with whom was Ambassador McCormick and imperial guests from every court in Europe. The christening party gathered at the jewel-crusted font. The baby was carried by Princess Galaizin and supported by General Reichter and Prince Dolgorouki, aides-de-camp to the emperor. The sponsors represented an emperor and an empress, two kings, one princess and four grand duchesses. The baby was so shrouded in filmy lace, dainty flannels and a purple silk overmantle, that it was almost impossible to distinguish the form that lay so still and quiet as the Metropolitan of St. Petersburg anointed its hands, breast and forehead with the mystical holy oil, compounded for the purpose in solemn secrecy at the Kremlin. But, when the moment came to complete the immersion in the warm water of the font, the royal infant showed its humanity by a lusty yell, which echoed through the chapel and was greeted by a murmur of amusement and approval as being a sign of luck and good augury for the future.

The Te Deum, melodiously chanted by a hidden choir, was the signal to the bells overhead, which swung clamorously, while from the royal yacht, off the shore of the gulf, thundered a salute of three hundred and one guns. The signal was taken up at Cronstadt and St. Petersburg, and Moscow's five hundred bells chimed, while the guns of the Kremlin rolled.

Breakfast at the great palace completed the ceremony. In making the rounds of the diplomatic corps, the Emperor displayed especial cordiality towards Ambassador McCormick.

To-night both the grounds of the Peterhoff palace and the city of St. Petersburg were illuminated. There was an extensive display of fireworks in both places, music was rendered in the parks and a free performance was given at the Imperial theatre.

PAYMASTER ROBBED.

Held Up by Four Masked Men and Five Thousand Dollars Taken.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PATERSON, N.J., Aug. 24.—Four men masked held up the paymaster of the O'Rourke Construction Company, a Mr. White, on the Ridge road near here to-day, and robbed him of $5,000.

The paymaster, accompanied by two other men, was on his way to the office of the company, driving in a buggy, when four men, one an American, masked completely, and three Italians wearing blue goggles, came out of the woods. The American shot the horse. The robbers covered the three occupants of the buggy with guns and got away with the bag of money which was in the bottom of the buggy.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO SETTLE CHICAGO STRIKE.

City Authorities to Make Another Effort. More Disturbances Between Strikers and Non-Union Workers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—The city authorities are to make a second effort to settle the stock yards strike. At a meeting of the city council to-night a resolution was passed empowering Mayor Harrison to appoint a committee of eleven aldermen who are to make it their business to bring about a settlement.

Invitations were at once sent to the leaders of the strikers and to representatives of the employers, inviting them to meet the members of the committee to-morrow morning. President Donnelly, of the Butchers' Union, will be before the committee at 10 o'clock and in the invitation sent to the packers they were asked to appear one hour later.

Judge Brentano to-day issued an injunction restraining the city of Chicago from interfering with the lodging of non-union employes in the packing houses in the stock yards. The city will appeal.

Annie Clark, a forewoman for Nelson Morris & Company, was attacked by girl pickets while riding on a street car. A lively fight followed, in which hatpins were the weapons used. Miss Clark was severely injured, and was removed to her home by the police. She recognized several of her assailants and secured warrants for their arrest.

The packers resumed the importation of strike-breakers on a large scale to-day. A special train of seven car loads arrived over the Erie. Two car loads of strike breakers were brought in under heavy police guard over the Monon road.

Thomas Stoker, business agent of the Pork Seller Men's Union, announced to-day that the non-union Greeks from the Armour plant had been initiated into the union, after which they returned to the stock yards enclosure, promising to lead out 1,500 other non-union Greeks. The Greek clergy and Greek business interests are reported as making every effort to influence the 1,500 to leave because of the strikers' action in declaring boycots against Greek houses by way of reprisal.

Fifty colored women strike-breakers left the stock yards to day, proclaiming that they had deserted the packers. Superintendent W. C. Farriss, of Nelson Morris & Company, however, asserted that the work of the women had been unsatisfactory and that they had been discharged.

COTTON BROKERS SUSPEND.

Failure of the Firm of N. F. Page & Co., of New Orleans—On the Short Side of the Market—No Statement.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 24.—The cotton market received one of the greatest surprises in its history to-day when three-quarters of an hour after the opening the well known firm of H. F. Page & Company posted an announcement to the effect that it was unable to meet further calls for margins. Up to that time the market promised to be quiet, almost as quiet as yesterday's market was active, but on the reading of this notice the ring was thrown into the wildest confusion and in an instant prices soared, as traders hurried to buy cotton to protect themselves. October and December inside of a minute's time went up 31 and 32 points. The confusion about the ring was the greater because the interest the Pages had in the market was unknown. They have been one of the heaviest operators on the short side of the market for some time, but it has been generally supposed that their transactions were profitable and not the slightest hint or suspicion has ever been given out or felt that they were embarrassed or likely to be. The advances of the last day or two, however, have been wild and wide and it is generally supposed, exhausted the resources of the firm. The general estimates of the interest of the firm in the market range all the way from 50,000 to 100,000 bales. The firm is composed of H. Frellsen Page, William A. Bres and Alfred F. Page.

Mr. Page, in a statement, concerning the suspension, said: "It is merely a case of temporary suspension of business, and I am glad to say that the obligations of the firm will be met, dollar for dollar. We have only a slight interest in the New Orleans market, our heaviest interests being in the New York and Liverpool markets. The trouble was caused by our inability to meet margin calls from Liverpool, the advances in that market having been great during the last few days. I can confidently say that it will not be long before we will be actively engaged in business again."

A peculiar feature of the suspension is that the offices occupied by H. F. Page & Company are directly under the offices occupied by Daniel J. Sully & Company, the firm that made such a spectacular failure last spring."

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS.

Jno. G. Carlisle Among the Callers—The Situation in West Virginia—Vigorous Campaign in That State Urged.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—An interesting feature of the day at Democratic National headquarters to-day was the appearance of John T. McGraw, member of the national committee from West Virginia, and a number of his close political friends from that State. Their visit at this time was to discuss the situation in West Virginia with the members of the executive committee and during the day they conferred with Chairman Taggart, Vice Chairman Nicoll, August Belmont and Thomas F. Ryan. They urged that a vigorous campaign in the State be started at once. They also said that the one fear that the Democrats of the State had was the colonization of negroes from Virginia, and great care would be necessary to prevent this from being done.

Among the callers at Democratic national headquarters were former Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle, who had a conference with Mr. Belmont; William B. Gourley, member of the national committee for New Jersey; John P. Frenzel, of Indiana, and Perry Belmont, who had just returned from West Virginia, where he has been the guest of the vice presidential candidate. Mr. Frenzel was one of the strong supporters of the gold Democratic candidates in 1896, and to-day he assured Chairman Taggart that his time and money would be devoted to the success of the Democratic candidates.

Secretary Murphy, of the Panama canal commission, has appointed Patrick Calvan chief assistant in the engineer's department of the commission. Mr. Calvan is a member of the engineer corps of the Illinois Central railway, stationed at New Orleans.

NO DISPATCHES FROM PORT ARTHUR

Absence of Advices Leads to the Belief That Very Important Events Are Impending.

MYSTERIOUS RUSSIA CRUISER.

Disabling of the Russian Battleship Sevastopal—Russian Forts Near Port Arthur Bombarded and Silenced by Two Japanese Ships.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The absence of dispatches of any kind from the Far East this morning leads to the belief, expressed editorially in the London newspapers, that important events are impending.

The mystery regarding the movements of the Russian cruiser which recently overhauled the British steamer Comedian is still unsolved.

In a dispatch to the Central News from Copenhagen, it is declared that the large steamer flying the Russian flag which passed through the Great Belt yesterday, bound south, as reported in a dispatch from Nyborg, Denmark, is the Russian volunteer steamer Smolensk.

The Cape Town correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" understands that strict orders have been issued that Russian cruisers are not to be allowed to coal in Cape Colonial ports without previous reference to headquarters.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 24.—So far as can be ascertained no further news of the fighting before the beleaguered fortress has been received except that contained in reports from foreign sources. These latter are conflicting, some of them representing that the Japanese assault has become exhausted, and others claiming that the Japanese have captured Etseshan fort, belonging to the western line of defences. If this position has been taken and occupied, it is realized that unless the Japanese are at once dislodged the chain of forts will be breached, and the position of Port Arthur rendered critical. The report, however, is considered as requiring confirmation.

Reports that General Kuropatkin is about to make an important move continue to be circulated, but the character of the move is not hinted at.

The reports from the front agree that the rains have ceased, that the roads are drying and a resumption of military activity is expected.

Since his retirement from Simochen and the Yangze pass it is estimated that more than thirty thousand reinforcements have reached General Kuropatkin.

Battleship Disabled.

TOKIO, Aug. 24, 9 A. M.—Further details of the disabling of the Russian battleship Sevastopol have been received here. It seems that on Tuesday afternoon, while engaged in shelling the Japanese land forces from a position outside of Port Arthur, the battleship struck a mine and was disabled by the explosion. She was towed into Port Arthur. The Japanese battleship Asahi was detailed to watch the Sevastopol. Her commander reports that the Russian battleship emerged from Port Arthur Tuesday morning and co-operated with certain Russian batteries in bombarding Japanese forces on shore. This firing had been kept up for several hours when the Sevastopol suddenly struck a submerged mine. The explosion caused her to list heavily to starboard, and at the same time she lurched forward, almost burying her bow under water. She was towed back into Port Arthur by a tug.

Admiral Kataoka reports that the Japanese cruisers Nisshin and Kasuga fired upon the Russian forts on Tuesday. They discovered that the Russians were shelling the Japanese land forces from a position near Lungiaintsz. The Nisshin and the Kasuga steamed in close to land, and after a short bombardment silenced the Russian guns.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The correspondent of the Times at Shanghai, in a dispatch dated August 24, 11:35 P. M., says that orders from Emperor Nicholas have been conveyed to Captain Reitenstein, commanding forthwith to disarm the cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovol, and that "the flags on both vessels were lowered at 7 o'clock to-night."

SERIOUS TROLLEY ACCIDENT.

Thirty-five Persons Injured in a Collision of Cars—About a Dozen People Had Fractured Limbs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Fully 35 persons were injured in a trolley wreck on the Rochester and Eastern railway, near Pittsford to-day. About a dozen people had fractured limbs and were seriously bruised, and the remainder suffered minor injuries, most of which were caused by broken glass. A train of two cars bound from Canandaigua to Rochester collided with a single car running east. The former was late and according to the statement of the officers of the company ran past the siding where it was to have met the car from Rochester. The trains met on a sharp curve. A lineman in the employ of the road was at work near the scene of the accident and saw the cars approaching. He flagged the eastbound train and it had nearly stopped when struck by the other, running at a good speed. All three of the cars were full of passengers.

THE CAMPAIGN IN VERMONT.

It Promises to be a Lively One—Both Parties Putting Their Best Speakers in the Field in That State.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Aug. 25.—Although the electors of Vermont do not appear to be interested in the State election, which will be held on September 6th, a lively campaign is in progress. The Republicans are making strong efforts to induce the entire strength of that party in Vermont to appear at the ballot box and roll up a plurality that will set the pace for the rest of the country. Notable among the speakers whom the party managers have distributed over the State, are Senator Fairbanks, the vice-presidential candidate, Secretary of War Taft, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Speaker Joseph G. Cannon, Senators Proctor and Dillingham, Representatives J. Adam Bede, of Minneapolis; P. M. Campbell, of Kansas, and B. F. Spalding, of North Dakota.

The Democrats have secured Bourke Cockran, of New York, to deliver three addresses. Edward M. Shepard, of New York; Charles Shamlin, of Boston, and Benjamin Shivley, of Indiana, are among the other campaigners engaged. Rallies will be held all over the State, arrangements having been made for almost daily meetings from now until Sept. 3rd.

SHARP SWINDLERS CAUGHT.

Young Man Arrested in Atlanta for Stealing Money from the Western Union on Bogus Telegrams.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Aug. 24.—J. T. Laney, alias A. P. Standish, formerly receiving clerk of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Dallas, Texas, was arrested here to-day on a telegram from the company in Dallas. The telegram specified no charges, but Laney, who is under 20 years of age, admitted to the officers that he and a confederate, whose name he gave as Black alias Edmund Seaborn, had stolen $1100 on bogus telegrams. According to Laney's story his father is now chief operator for the Western Union Company in Dallas. He admitted that as receiving clerk he sent bogus telegrams for money to a confederate who travelled from city to city. Laney was forced to leave Dallas about a month ago, since which time he and his confederate have travelled extensively over the country, visiting St. Louis, Kansas City and Baltimore, where they separated, Laney coming thence to Atlanta. From here he sent a telegram to a young woman in Dallas, which led to his arrest.

DALLAS, TEXAS, Aug. 24.—Affidavits filed here by G. M. Baker, local manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, on August 12, alleges that during the previous week, J. T. Laney, a clerk, by co-operation with E. S. Black, conspired to swindle the company and did secure from the company the sums of $300, $400 and $400, aggregating $1,100, and that all trace of the offenders was lost. The scheme was this: A young man entered the office at Memphis and asked for $300 telegraphed from Dallas for him. He was told that no such amount had been received, but a telegram to Dallas confirmed the deposit here of the amount and the sum was delivered. At St. Louis $400 was secured in the same way and at Chicago the same plan worked.

At this end, when the query was asked, Laney informed the operators that the amount had been deposited. He made no record or entry on the books. To-day a telegram from Laney was received here for a young woman. Her reply was sent and instructions given that detectives accompany the messenger boy.

AN APPEAL TO ROOSEVELT.

Men Deported from Cripple Creek Petition President Asking Him to Intervene and Protect Them on Return.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DENVER, COLO., Aug. 24.—A petition has been mailed to President Roosevelt asking him to intervene in behalf of the men deported from Cripple Creek last Saturday night, and protect them in their return to the district. The petition is a voluminous affair and includes a personal statement of John H. Murphy, general counsel of the Western Union of Miners, the affidavit of Thomas H. Parfet, one of the deported men, who claims that he was badly beaten by members of the mob, and a sworn statement of his physician to the effect that Parfet is suffering from injuries that may result seriously. The whole case is based on the alleged abuse received by Parfet at the hands of the mob.

Affidavits and preliminary papers necessary to the commencement of criminal actions against alleged leaders of the mob also have been prepared and forwarded to the district attorney of Teller county. The affidavits are signed by all the men driven from the district last Saturday.

SLUMP IN WHEAT.

Break Caused by a Rush to Sell on the Part of Longs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The public's vision of big profits in the New York wheat market was disturbed to-day by one of the most serious declines the market has had in weeks, amounting to over four cents a bushel here and 7½c in Minneapolis. The break was caused apparently by a rush to sell on the part of longs who were overloaded. The market constantly met fresh stop-loss selling orders until at the close it was little short of demoralized and at the low point of the day. December sold at 108¼ against 112¾ last night, representing about 8¼ from the top price of the session.

JUDGE PARKER

Working on His Letter of Acceptance of the Nomination—His Visitors.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ESOPUS, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Judge Parker to-day worked on his letter of acceptance of the nomination, which will be made public probably about September 12th or 15th. The letter will be printed in Kingston and it is expected the proof will be ready about September 5.

Howard Taylor, of New York, who was one of the organizers of the Parker Constitution club, spent the afternoon with Judge Parker to-day, discussing plans for the enlargement of the scope of the club.

It is expected that as the result of the conference the club will take an advanced position in the national campaign.

WARM WIRELETS.

L. B. Lookabill, of Roanoke, Va., was yesterday elected corresponding secretary of the National Firemen's Association, in session at St. Louis.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick left her hotel in New York yesterday for Ellenville, in the Catskill mountains, where she will remain at the home of Dr. Emmet Densmore for some time.

Chairman Taggart has received a telegram from M. G. Wetmore, of St. Louis, saying that William J. Bryan would speak at Butler and Lamor, Nevada, and Springfield, Mo., the last days of August and the first of September.

Interest in the Jeffries and Munroe contest for the heavy-weight championship increases. As yet betting has not been heavy, the adherents of neither pugilist seeming to favor the prevailing odds of 100 to 35 in favor of Jeffries. The odds are even that Jeffries will not win inside of ten rounds.

Carlisle McKinlee, associate editor of the Charleston News and Courier, died there yesterday after a long illness. He was the author of "An Appeal to Pharoah," an argument for deportation of negroes to Africa, which attracted much attention. He was a distant relative of the late President McKinley.

Mary Belle Devin is dead and Jos. Manzo is seriously ill at Augusta, Ga., as the result of eating bread which had been poisoned with "rough on rats" mixed in the flour. Neal Williams, who is under bond on the charge of larceny, is wanted by the police in connection with the crime. Manzo probably will recover.

STABLES BURNED IN RALEIGH.

Fire in Two Blocks of City Hall—Live Stock Burned.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, Aug. 24.—The stables of Geo. M. Harden, two blocks from the city hall, were destroyed at 5 o'clock this morning by fire. Nothing was saved. Thirteen horses, three mules and numerous vehicles were burned. Fortunately, Mr. Harden is north with his race horses, so they escaped. Henry Harden, who sleeps in the stable, had barely time to escape, bringing his clothes in his hands. The loss is about $6,000, with practically no insurance, save $1,000. Nine of the horses were owned by men in the city. In addition to the stable, the adjoining warehouse of W. A. Myatt was gutted. Mr. Myatt's loss is about $4,000, with no insurance.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Supreme Lodge Decided to Officially Recognize the Rathbone Sisters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Aug. 24.—The Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, which has been in session since the closing of the biennial held here last week, to-day decided officially to recognize the Rathbone Sisters, a woman's auxiliary organization.

John H. Alexander, of Leesburg, Va., and Tully Scott, of Cripple Creek, Colo., were re-appointed for a term of six years on the supreme tribunal, the appellate body of the order. The lodge then adjourned sine die.

A cave in occurred on the Knoxville and Augusta branch of the Southern railway yesterday at a point where workmen were excavating for a foundation of a bridge pier at Little River, Tenn. Six men were buried, of whom two were killed and four injured.

Colonel L. R. Lawton, of Savannah, has resigned as president and member of the court of inquiry appointed to investigate the conduct of the State militia in the Statesboro, Ga., trouble, and Lieutenant Colonel Jordan F. Brooks, of Savannah, has been appointed in his stead by Governor Terrell.

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Trunks and Hand Satchels, Telescopes and Suit Cases.

In this department we think we can fill your memoranda all right. We have all styles of trunks with three different kinds of lift trays. Our roller tray trunks are all linen lined, with a separate skirt tray, with full Saratoga finish inside, and prices are from $7 50 each to $18 00. We have nice canvas trunks with brass locks and leather straps for $3 50, $4 00 and $5 00 each. We have canvas covered packing trunks that we sell for $1 00, $1 25 and $1 50 in large sizes. We also have suit cases from $1 25 to $3 50 and extra fine quality at $6 50.

Toy Department.

Children for the ocean beach. We are showing a splendid line of tin buckets for 5c. and 10c.; sets of sand moulds 10c. each highly painted, sand moulds with sifter tray at 25c. each. Garden sets, three tools to the set, shovel, rake and hoe, for 5c., 10c. and 25c. a set.

A New Line of Collars.

In Buster Brown collars we are showing a fine linen embroidered collar with ribbon loops altogether new at 25c. a piece. We are also showing other handsome styles in ladies collars. Nice embroidered and lace collars at 10c. a piece.

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We are showing a handsome campaign tie, something new, at 25c. each. We also have the white string ties at 10c., 15c. and 25c. per doz; the midget string tie at 10c.; the reversible four-in-hand tie at 25c. each. A big stock of Boston garters, new patterns, at 25c. per pair, and gents' garters at 10c. per pair.

A nice assortment of men's $1 shirts at $75c.

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We have 10 pieces of fine washable China Silk that are beautiful and absolutely fast colors. They are new goods and are 50c values that we are selling at 29c per yard. A new piece of yard-wide black Taffeta Silk with a guarantee woven in the edge; Silk that is worth $1.25 per yard, we are selling at 98c per yd. We are showing a real nice Taffeta Silk a yard wide, all black for 65c and a little better one for 75c.

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